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AGENCY REGULATORY TECHNIQUES

PERTAINING TO PROJECT PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

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1. CIA [REDACTED] establishes the Project Review Committee and describes its composition and functions. A recent Agency Notice [REDACTED] defines the procedures of PRC and includes an Appendix A a sample form of comprehensive outline for all projects. Paragraph [REDACTED] of this form calls for a statement as to the extent of coordination. This paragraph would appear to require more than a simple declaration that the project concerned had been coordinated with interested staff components.

2. Agency [REDACTED] defines those types of projects in which an administrative plan will be required and states that where there is a demonstrable need for a departure from normal regulatory requirements the plan will be considered the regulation for the project.

[REDACTED] prescribes the types of projects which require administrative plans, vests the Deputy Director of Administration with the authority to waive or modify provisions of Agency regulations where necessary to proper support of covert operations, and defines the responsibilities of the DD/P and the DD/ with respect to administrative plans. Sub-paragraph [REDACTED] contains the only language to be found in any regulation germane to the matter of the content of an administrative plan. This paragraph in effect states that the plan will incorporate "all administrative aspects of any project."

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4. [REDACTED] presumably no longer in effect but reportedly still followed as to form in certain PP/PW type projects, prescribes the procedure for development, preparation and approval of the project outline. This regulation imposes on the case officer the responsibility for development and coordination of this outline.

5. [REDACTED] provides the basic planning procedures for VI operations. Paragraph [REDACTED] of this instruction contains rather detailed provisions for coordination of the project outline with other offices within the VI complex prior to presentation of the plan or project to the VI staff for review and approval. The responsibility for determining the extent of coordination with staff components outside the VI complex is left to the area division with a suggested list of certain staff functions that may be consulted.